POLICE.

RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons, dated 16 February 1844;—*for*,

A RETURN of the Number of the IRISH POLICE FORCE, and of the METROPOLITAN POLICE, in each Year since they were established, and the AMOUNT of PUBLIC MONEY voted for the same in each Year.

(*Mr. William Williams.*)

Ordered, by The House of Commons, *to be Printed*, 2 *April* 1844.

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CONSTABULARY OF IRELAND.

RETURN of the Numbers of the CONSTABULARY FORCE of *Ireland* on the 1st January in each of the undermentioned Years, and of the AMOUNT of PUBLIC MONEY voted for the same in each Year.

Years.	Officers.	Stipendiary Magistrates.	Head and other Constables.	Sums voted.	Total Expense.	Proportion borne on the Consolidated Fund.	Amount borne by the Counties and Cities.
					£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1837	271	39	7,388	- -	357,275 13 9	204,169 14 7½	153,105 19 1½
1838	275	50	7,938	- -	380,268 6 9	227,606 14 5	152,661 12 4
1839	281	54	8,135	- -	423,461 5 10	258,415 7 2½	165,045 18 7½
1840	282	56	8,309	- -	419,142 15 3½	249,946 16 2½	169,195 19 1
1841	278	59	8,345	Nil. - -	426,127 10 4	251,794 15 3½	174,332 15 -½
1842	277	65	8,996	- -	433,661 1 10½	260,623 11 4	173,037 10 6½
1843	277	58	8,766	- -	441,605 5 11½	263,473 5 2	178,132 - 9½
1844	272	60	8,887	- -	436,152 10 8½	264,414 9 -	171,738 1 8½

Note.—The Constabulary Force of Ireland was re-organized on the 1st October 1836. The charges are not defrayed by Parliamentary votes, but by advances from the Consolidated Fund, as the service requires, the proportion payable by the counties being afterwards recovered by presentment.

Constabulary Force, Dublin Castle, 23 March 1844. — *D. M'Gregor*, I. G.

DUBLIN METROPOLITAN POLICE.

RETURN of the DUBLIN METROPOLITAN POLICE FORCE in each Year since established, and the AMOUNT of PUBLIC MONEY voted by Parliament for the same in each Year.

	STRENGTH OF THE FORCE.						AMOUNT voted by Parliament.	
	Superintendents.	Inspectors.	Sergeants.	Constables.	Candidates in training.	Total.	£. s. d.	
From 1 January to 31 March 1838 -	4	18	75	800	- -	897	- - -	- - No vote within this period.
„ 1 April 1838 to 31 March 1839	4	17	89	880	20	1,010	28,732 - -	
„ 1 April 1839 to 31 March 1840	6	24	110	1,050	20	1,210	33,963 - -	- - District extended to Kingstown, &c.
„ 1 April 1840 to 31 March 1841	6	24	100	1,000	20	1,150	34,959 - -	
„ 1 April 1841 to 31 March 1842	6	24	100	1,000	20	1,150	38,100 - -	
„ 1 April 1842 to 31 March 1843	7	23	100	980	20	1,130	35,600 - -	
„ 1 April 1843 to 31 March 1844	7	23	100	980	20	1,130	31,400 - -	

The above sums in aid of the local income were voted not merely for the support of the Metropolitan Police Force, but also towards the maintenance of the public offices; the expense of which, in the Parliamentary estimate for the year ending 31st March 1844, was £.10,596. 4. 10.

Metropolitan Police Office, Dublin, 23 February 1844. — *John L. O'Ferrall*, Commissioner.

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METROPOLITAN POLICE.

RETURN of the Number of the METROPOLITAN POLICE FORCE in each Year since its Establishment in 1829 to 1844 inclusive.

YEAR.	Superintendents.	Inspectors.	Serjeants.	Constables.	TOTAL.
1829*a* - -	6	22	95	814	937
1830 - -	6	23	93	917	1,039
1831 - -	17	65	319	2,937	3,338
1832 - -	17	70	333	2,930	3,350
1833 - -	17	71	342	2,968	3,398
1834 - -	17	70	339	2,969	3,395
1835 - -	17	69	340	2,982	3,408
1836 - -	17	70	341	2,992	3,420
1837 - -	17	74	340	3,071	3,502
1838 - -	17	76	339	3,043	3,475
1839 - -	17	79	345	3,058	3,499
1840 - -	19	101	349	3,218	3,687
1841*b* - -	19	105	446	3,768	4,338
1842 - -	19	109	459	3,807	4,394
1843 - -	19	110	465	3,799	4,393
1844 - -	19	111	478	4,065	4,673

a The Metropolitan Police Force was established in September 1829, but the number then authorized was not completed till May 1830.

b The Police District was considerably extended in 1840.

C. Rowan.

There is no amount of Public Money voted for the Police of the Metropolis in each year.

The 3 & 4 Will. 4, c. 89, s. 1, provides for the payment of a certain proportion of money from the Consolidated Fund towards the maintaining the Police, as therein specified.

The 3 & 4 Will. 4, c. 89, s. 2, provides "That no larger sum than Sixty thousand Pounds shall be issued out of the Consolidated Fund in any one year" for the above purpose.

The 2 & 3 Vict. c. 47, s. 2, provides, that "Parishes may be added, to form part of the Metropolitan Police District."

The 2 & 3 Vict. c. 47, s. 3, provides "An additional yearly sum out of the Consolidated Fund, not greater in each case than the amount of Two-pence in the Pound upon the additional rental assessed to the Metropolitan Police by reason of such addition."

The 2 & 3 Vict. c. 47, s. 6, provides "A yearly sum, not greater than Twenty thousand Pounds," to defray the increased charges of the establishment by reason of the Thames Police and Horse Patrol having been incorporated with the Metropolitan Police; also, such further sum as shall be needed for the payment of the Superannuation Allowances of such Surveyors, Constables, &c., as shall have retired under the provisions of an Act 3 Geo. 4, or any subsequent Act, for the more effectual administration of the office of a Justice of the Peace in and near the Metropolis.

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